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government agencies, non-Federal nonprofit organizations and institutions, Federally-acknowledged or State-recognized Native American tribes or groups, and individuals committed to the preservation, publication, or use of United States documentary resources.

§ 1206.5 Who serves on the Commission?

Established by Congress in 1934, the Commission is a 15-member body, chaired by the Archivist of the United States and comprised of representatives of the three branches of the Federal Government and of professional associations of archivists, historians, documentary editors, and records administrators.

§1206.6 How do you organize the grant program?

We offer grants to support publications projects (subpart B), and records projects (subpart C). State grants (subpart D) are made to designated state agencies for statewide archival services and may include subgrants to individuals and institutions. We also support a variety of professional development opportunities.

§ 1206.8 How do you operate the grant program?

- (a) The Executive Director manages the program under Commission guidance and the immediate administrative direction of its Chairman, the Archivist of the United States.
- (b) The Commission establishes grant program priorities as reflected in its Grant Opportunity Announcements and, from time-to-time, issues non-binding, clarifying guidance documents through the NHPRC Web site.
- (c) To assure fair treatment of every application, all members of the Commission and its staff follow conflict-of-interest rules.
- (d) The purpose and work plan of all NHPRC-funded grant projects must be in accord with current Commission program guidance as reflected in the Grant Opportunity Announcements.
- (e) The Archivist of the United States makes the final grant award upon the recommendation of the Commission.

§ 1206.10 How do you make grant opportunities known?

- (a) The Commission annually determines which grant opportunities it will offer, and establishes eligibility, application deadlines, and programmatic requirements.
- (b) The NHPRC staff prepares grant opportunity announcements consisting of all information necessary to apply for each grant and publishes the announcements on the NHPRC Web site (http://www.archives.gov/nhprc) at least four months before the final application due date.
- (c) The NHPRC staff also publishes notice of each announcement in the FEDERAL REGISTER and on http://www.Grants.gov, a Federal government Internet site widely available to the public, at least four months before the final application due date.

§ 1206.11 How may an applicant apply for an NHPRC grant?

Applicants may apply for a grant using Grants.gov or by using other electronic or paper forms and documents, according to the instructions in each announcement.

§ 1206.12 What are my responsibilities once I have received a grant?

- (a) Comply with all Federal regulations related to grants administration.
- (b) Comply with NHPRC grant announcements and other Commission guidance.
- (c) Meet performance requirements defined in your grant application.
- (d) Report on performance requirements defined in your grant application and other performance measures specified in the grant award.
- (e) Comply with conditions set by the Commission according to §1206.52.

Subpart B—Publications Grants

§ 1206.20 What are the scope and purpose of publications grants?

Publications grants support projects intended to make widely available those documentary source materials important to the study and understanding of United States history. In order to receive a publications grant, a

project must intend to publish historical records of national value and interest

§ 1206.22 What type of proposal is eligible for a publications grant?

- (a) The Commission provides grants for publishing papers of United States leaders and historical records relating to outstanding events, topics, themes, or movements of national significance in United States history. These projects include the production of:
- (1) Documentary editions that involve collecting, compiling, transcribing, editing, annotating, and publishing, either selectively or comprehensively, historical papers and records:
- (2) Microfilm editions consisting of organized collections of images of original sources, usually without transcription and annotations;
- (3) Electronic editions consisting of organized collections of images of original editions. Electronic editions may include transcriptions and/or annotations and other data to facilitate document discovery;
- (4) Electronic editions of transcribed and annotated documents, including electronic republications of hard copy editions; and
- (5) Any combination of editions specified in paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(4) of this section.
- (b) The Commission may also support projects to develop methods, tools, techniques, and practices to improve and advance the documentary editing profession in the United States, and to support projects that apply information technology to publishing projects.
- (c) The Commission may also support subvention grants to nonprofit presses to help defray publication costs of NHPRC-supported or endorsed editions.
- (d) The Commission may also support fellowships, institutes, and other professional development opportunities related to this program.
- (e) Detailed programmatic requirements established by the Commission are found in the grant opportunity announcements

§ 1206.24 What type of proposal is ineligible for a publications grant?

(a) We do not support:

- (1) Historical research apart from what is necessary for editing documentary publications; or
- (2) Documentary editing projects to publish the papers of someone who has been deceased for fewer than ten years.
- (b) Other programmatic limitations established by the Commission are found in the grant opportunity announcements.

Subpart C—Records Grants

§ 1206.30 What is the scope and purpose of records grants?

- (a) Records grants support projects designed to preserve and facilitate use of historical records of national, state, or local significance for the purpose of furthering an understanding and appreciation of United States history and assuring the rights of American citizens to free and equal access to government records.
- (b) The Commission also supports projects to develop methods, tools, techniques, and practices to improve and advance the archival profession in the United States, and to support continuing education of archivists, records managers, and other keepers of historical records.

§ 1206.32 What type of proposal is eligible for a records grant?

- (a) The Commission provides grants to historical records repositories for locating, preserving and encouraging use of records held by state, local, and other governmental units and private archives and collections of papers maintained in nonfederal, nonprofit repositories and special collections relating to the study of American history.
- (b) The Commission provides support to historical records repositories, other institutions, and individuals for:
- (1) Advancing the state of the art in archival and records management and in the long-term maintenance of, and easy access to, authentic electronic records:
- (2) Promoting cooperative efforts among institutions and organizations in archival and records management;
- (3) Improving the knowledge, performance, and professional skills of those who work with historical records; and